

FRIGHTFUL WAVE OF CRIME

Sweeping Over this Community.

SEVERAL SENSATIONAL MURDERS THE PAST WEEK.

HUMAN LIFE ALWAYS CHEAP WHERE CAPITAL PUNISHMENT IS A NON-ENTITY—DRASTIC PUNISHMENT, UNDER THE LAW, SHOULD BE METED OUT TO RED-HANDED MURDERERS—A FEW GIBBETINGS OF WILLFUL KILLERS WILL HAVE A SALUTARY EFFECT UPON THOSE INCLINED TO MURDER.

Shot and Killed by Rival.

Joe Edwards was shot and killed sometime during Saturday night, Oct. 12, and his body was found Sunday morning in the yard of Patty Ballentine, who lives at 1406 Hamilton street. He was struck by two bullets, one entering the breast and the other the stomach. It is said that the shots that ended his life were fired by Sterling Weems. The men were rivals for the affections of Patty Ballentine, it is said. Weems and the woman, it seems, were out together and were seen by Edwards, who disliked it. He followed the couple to the Ballentine woman's home and started the trouble by throwing rocks. After that act of belligerency on his part, Weems promptly brought his gun into action, which ended the earthly career of Edwards, his rival.

After the shooting Weems made his escape and has not been apprehended yet. The Ballentine woman disclaimed any knowledge of the killing, but despite that she was arrested and is being held at the police station until more can be learned of the tragedy and her connection therewith. The woman who tries to play the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde role is sure to come to grief and bring others to the same lamentable strait.

Despite the fact that some men see the double game being played by their lady-love, they persist in being deaf to the voice of reason, hence the almost weekly sensational homicides which shock this community.

The undertaking establishment of Alsop & McGavock took charge of Edwards' remains and prepared them for burial.

Duel to the Death.

A duel to the death was fought between Ed Beard and Clarence Burnett on Saturday night, October 12, at the corner of Lewis and Winfrey streets. The men fought with knives. Each was savagely carved up, but Beard got the better of his antagonist in the fray. He succeeded in inflicting a stab wound which caused the death of Burnett in about thirty minutes.

The trouble was brought on by what almost invariably lies at the bottom of all serious difficulties between men—a woman.

That was an instance where two were company and three a crowd and the crowd would not harmonize. But now there is neither company nor crowd. Burnett is dead, Beard is in jail, and the woman is abroad to accept the attention of other company. This last sentence points a tale, and were men sensible, who are disposed to wrangle over the affections of a woman who does not know whom she loves, they would consider the moral it teaches and be wise. Beard was arrested, but being too badly slashed up by the man whom he had killed, he had to be taken to the City Hospital to be patched up before being carried to the police station. Beard claimed that he had fought to death Burnett in self-defense. He was tried before Judge Baker and bound over to the Criminal Court.

IN HONOR OF MISS McNEAL

Mrs. Nelson entertained a number of young folks at her residence on the corner of Lewis and Short streets in honor of Miss Samuella V. McNeal, who left for Indianapolis, Ind., Sunday

morning, where she will make her home.

Miss Vadis Claybrooks presided at the piano, dancing was the feature of the evening. At a late hour a two-course menu was served. Those present were Misses Mary L. Chrismon, Ora L. Copeland, Mary M. Sykes, Urine Kidd, Lena M. Fulton, Fannie M. Harris, Vadie Claybrooks, Estella Harmon, Samuella V. McNeal, Bertha Travis, Yola Doleson, Estell Dennis, Lennis Nelson, Edna Lyric, Marie Scerrey and Bessie Travis, Messrs. William Hightower, Thomas Ringo, Elmore Wade, Everett H. Martin, Oliver Hambrick, Richard Chrismon, Joed Chrismon, Worthie Goodwin and Walter Cairo.

Davidson County Institute.

The Colored Institute of Davidson County met in regular session last Saturday with a good number of teachers present. Prof. W. H. Card, President, was in the chair and expressed his ability to be there as being little short of a miracle, because of the cowardly attempt of a would-be assassin. He is suffering from a painful wound.

Rev. Mr. Purdy was introduced to the Institute, and spoke of his Reformatory School and the good results being derived from the same. His school is located in the Boyd Building, and the teachers were invited to call in and see the work. Prof. W. C. Anderson, the Superintendent, expressed himself as being right well pleased so far with the work being done by the colored teachers over the country.

The following program is to be rendered in the next session:

Recitation by Mrs. J. E. Miller; Nature Study, by Mrs. E. W. Benton; Solo, Miss McGavock; Oration, by Mr. J. E. Hill. Fifteen minutes will be given to Superintendent W. C. Anderson. Music by Institute.

By mistake it was published last week that this Institute meets on the third Saturday; but it is the second instead.

FISK QUARTETTE IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.

The annual Convention of the American Mission Association was in session this week at Cleveland, Ohio, and the Fisk Quartette, composed of Prof. J. W. Work, M. W. Rider, A. G. King and J. Myers were there singing for the occasion. Mr. King was in Tullahoma, Tenn., but came here to join Prof. Work and Mr. Rider, while Mr. J. Myers went there from the Exposition to join the party. It is this Association that contributes so liberally to Fisk each year. The personality of this quartette is well known to the members of the Association, as they have more than once furnished music for them.

NEW MACHINERY INSTALLED IN THE ECONOMICAL LAUNDRY.

The Economical Laundry this week installed a very large water tank which will increase its water capacity. This tank will enable it to keep on hand a plenty of filtered water which will make the washing look much better.

Another new washing machine is being installed and will be ready by the first of next week. It is one of the latest built machines, and it will show a marked improvement in the work from now on. Your patronage is solicited.

ELABORATE DINNER TO MR. A. A. BENNETT.

East Nashville K. of P. Building Committee and officers of the Twentieth Century Company No. 8, of the Uniform Rank K. of P., gave an elaborate dinner to Mr. A. A. Bennett on Friday evening, October 11, at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. J. T. Shelby, 527 Lischey avenue. The arrangements for the affair and the decorations of the house were perfect in every detail. At 10 o'clock the guests were invited to the dining room, where the following menu was served:

Oyster Soup.	Celery.	Crackers.
Raw Oysters.	Hot Slaw in Peppers.	
Bread Stick and Man-go Pickles.		
Broiled Chicken.		
Stuffed Egg Croquets.	Pickles.	
Beaten Biscuits, etc.	Olives.	
Cream.	Cake.	Fruits.
Cheese Straws.		
Nuts and Cafe et noir.		

At the conclusion of the repast a committee, composed of Messrs. Townsend, Baker, Elam and Vaughn, offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we tender our sincere thanks to our host and hostess for the kindness shown us this evening and also for the pains they have taken to make our dinner a success."

Mr. Bennett left the city Monday night for Washington, D. C., where he will fill a responsible position in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving.

REV. PRESTON TAYLOR ON A WESTERN TOUR.

Monday evening Rev. Preston Taylor, of the firm of Taylor & Co., left the city for the Pacific Coast. He went from Nashville to St. Louis. His route reads: Kansas City, Kans., Denver, Col., and from thence over the beautiful scenic road of the Union Pacific to Los Angeles, Cal., where he expects to spend a fortnight. From there he will travel as far up the coast as San Francisco and Oakland. This trip, no doubt, will give him much-needed rest, as he has been working unusually hard this past year, being one of the foremost business men in Nashville. He has no idle moments, and this trip is taken only after the earnest solicitation of his family and intimate friends.

Dr. Taylor stated to a Globe reporter in reply to an inquiry how long he would be gone:

"I do not know; I am going away to see if I can get some rest. It may be that I will get back in fifteen or twenty days, and my trip may keep me thirty days; but I shall be back and will have had the rest needed, because it is my intention to give more time next year to fixing up Greenwood Park so that it will be the best in the city."

His return trip will not vary much from the one going, as he will return over the Northern road, coming through Salt Lake City, Utah, down to Denver, Col., and thence back to Nashville.

IN HONOR OF MISS BOOKER.

The beautiful and artistically furnished home of Prof. and Mrs. S. P. Harris, of Jefferson street, presented a scene of beauty on Tuesday evening, when the doors were thrown open for an evening party in honor of their niece, Miss Mattie A. Booker, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. J. A. Booker, of Little Rock, Ark. The interior of the house, which is one of the most richly furnished in the city, was decorated with a profusion of cut flowers, the color-scheme of pink and white being carried out in the masses of carnations which filled large vases throughout the rooms. In the reception-hall stood Mrs. Harris and Miss Booker, assisted by Misses Belma Mahan and John D. Thompson, to welcome the guests. The honoree appeared in a beautiful gown of white chiffon over silk. Throughout the house the beauty of the decorations was largely enhanced by the pretty costumes worn by the other guests. Miss Booker, who is a musician of some note, rendered several masterpieces on the piano. Card-tables were in evidence and many amusing games were played. Ices, cake and fruits furnished a tempting menu, served at a late hour. Among those invited to meet the honoree were Messdames H. A. Cameron, W. B. Vassar, J. H. Kelly, Misses Belma Mahan, John D. Thompson, Devitt Shorter, Grayce Frank, Georgia Watkins, Ruth McKinney, Emma Shorter, Mollie Berry, Nannie Sumner, Janie Benson, Mattie Winfrey, Mary Clark, Elvora Berry, Messrs. Wm. Fox, J. O. Battle, Fred J. Ewing, Wm. R. Pleasant, S. L. Carter, Wm. Davis, J. H. Kelly, Wm. A. Pitts, R. L. Redmund, T. F. Smith, J. N. Bowden and Wm. Merrill.

PHYSICAL CULTURE AND TOM THUMB WEDDING.

The Physical Culture and Tom Thumb Wedding given at Spruce Street Baptist Church in Monday evening under the able direction of Miss Jennie P. Dunson, proved to be an overwhelming success. The Physical Culture drill, led by Miss Annie Henderson, was beautiful in every detail, ten young ladies presenting a pretty picture in snow-white robes, going through the exercises to the strains of enchanting music. After the drill, it was announced that a fashionable wedding would take place. Before the entrance of the bridal party little Miss Milberta Webb sang "I'm all for you" in a very sweet voice. Then, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Laura Brooks, entered the ushers, numbering eight, and six bridesmaids and groomsmen, marching alternately in opposite aisles, followed by the four little flower-girls, Charlie Mai Malone, Annie Mai Dunson, Dayton Aribella Hart and Louise Taylor. Then came the pillow-bearers, Lorell Young and Annie Gertrude Thomas. The maid of honor, little Miss Mercy Leah Buckner, as were all the bridesmaids, wore a beautiful creation of tulle, with a court-train. The groom Master Claud Toney, entered with his best man, Master Leonard Smith. Then came the bride, little Miss Alberta Thomas, attired in a white silk princess with the conventional tulle veil. Master Valda Kelly acted as the officiating divine and

used the Episcopal service. The whole affair reflects much credit upon Miss Dunson, who has proven herself untiring in her efforts to help the financial situation of her church. Quite a neat sum was realized in the selling of the tickets, three little girls running for prizes. The first prize, a gold watch, went to little Charlie Mai Malone, who led with the amount of \$36; the second and third prize, gold rings, were won by little Lorell Young and Dayton Aribella Hart respectively. The wedding will be repeated at the first Baptist Church Monday night, October 28, for the benefit of that church.

CUSTODIAN AT ROGER WILLIAMS.

The appointment of Rev. A. O. Kenney as Custodian for the new Roger Williams University site and property seemed to meet the general approval of all. It became necessary to put a Custodian on the grounds in order to protect the interest of the University and to look after the building. Then, too, there are some new buildings to be erected before the opening of the school, and since Rev. Kenney is an expert carpenter and contractor, he can look after this matter with advantage for the Trustees. People wanting to see this site can also be shown through the grounds by him.

MRS. FORD RETURNS TO CHICAGO.

Mrs. Mary Ford has been in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas White. During her stay she was the recipient of many hospitalities. Among some of her host of friends that entertained her were Messdames Price, Ida Jordan, Jefferson, Annie Webster, Minerva Watkins, Maria Bosley and Misses Minnie Daily and Minnie White.

Mrs. Ford joined her husband and son Sunday, where she was welcomed into her own home with many kind thoughts of her friends in Nashville, who made her stay among them the most pleasant feature of her life.

OLVIN—GAINS.

There was a quite wedding last Wednesday night at the residence of Mrs. Marie Davidson, 137 Eleventh avenue, North. There were a number of friends present. Elder Kirkpatrick, of St. John Baptist Church, performed the ceremony. Mr. John Caston Olvin is from Vicksburg, Miss. Miss Mamie Beatrice Gains is of the city. They will reside in the future at 1108 Grundy street.

PEARL HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The Teachers' Normal Meeting was held in this building on Tuesday of last week. The teachers of the entire corps were divided into classes and the work for the year was mapped out. It is the intention of the Superintendent to have all the teachers study some subject as long as they are connected with the Nashville system. This keeps their minds in a studious attitude and brings to them information that will be of use to them in teaching their classes. The High School teachers will study Chemistry, the Grammar teachers will study Test Problems in Arithmetic, and the lower grade teachers will study Primary Methods in Reading.

The new brick walk across the front yard has been completed and adds greatly to the appearance of the school grounds and to the convenience of the pupils.

The High School football team, known as the Washingtonians, met their first defeat on Bennett Field last Saturday. The Fisk second team defeated them to the tune of 17 to 0. Spectators say, however, that the Pearl boys played a good game, being outclassed in weight and age. The game was an enjoyable one and no one regrets seeing it; but expressions could be heard among partisans of both teams that it is a pity that a team of nearly equal calibre as to weight, size, age and experience cannot be made up among the colleges around Nashville so as to make the game between the High School and college more interesting. The public would attend in larger numbers.

This school will be decorated next week for the coming of President Roosevelt. The Principal has asked for a number of flags and 150 feet of bunting to adorn the front of the building. The windows will be draped in red, white and blue. An opportunity for a lesson in patriotism will be given by the President's visit.

The school was favored last week by a visit from the following persons: Mr. T. C. West, of the Post-Office Department; Mr. A. P. Beatty, of Fisk University; Prof. McNeal, Superintendent City School of Memphis.

Mr. Theodore Garrett, after a long spell of sickness with typhoid fever, has recovered and entered the Junior A Class of the High School.

CLARK MEMORIAL CHURCH

Was Scene of Brilliant Reception.

THE SIXTH GIVEN IN HONOR OF REV. T. W. JOHNSON.

SPLENDID PROGRAM RENDERED

—PARTICIPATED IN BY PROMINENT WOMEN AND MEN, FRIENDS OF THE PASTOR—ELOQUENCE, WIT AND SONG DELIGHTED THE HEARTS OF ALL PRESENT—TABLES BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED WERE LADEN WITH A SUMPTUOUS REPAST—GRAND OCCASION.

At the sixth annual reception in honor of Rev. T. W. Johnson at Clark Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Auditorium, October 19, a vast audience assembled to do him honor. The following program was rendered:

Song—"Bless the Lord", Choral Class Prayer.....Rev. D. T. Burch

Song—"Pleasant are thy courts".....Choral Class

Welcome address on behalf of the city ministry—

Rev. C. H. Boone, of St. Paul A. M. E. Church.

Song—"Leaning on Jesus".....Choral Class

Welcome on part of the Stewards

.....Bro. James Mitchell

Welcome on behalf of Trustees ..

.....Bro. N. T. Green

Original poem and song.....

.....Mrs. G. A. Kelso

Welcome on behalf of the Sunday school.....Miss J. Blackwell

In behalf of Epworth League.....

.....Mrs. M. A. Green

In behalf of the class leaders.....

.....W. A. McKissack

In behalf of the Ladies' Aid Circle

.....Mrs. M. B. Lewis

Remarks by Master of Ceremonies

.....Mr. E. E. Gibson

Introduction and response by the new pastor.....Rev. T. W. Johnson

REV. MR. JOHNSON'S RESPONSE.

"There are no sentences in the English language that can fully express my appreciation of your kindness extended to me on this occasion, but I hope in some humble way to render you further service, such as will still hold your esteem and respect. This occasion causes me to be filled with the thought of the vast responsibilities that rest upon a minister of such a metropolitan church as Clark Memorial; standing at the head of the Tennessee Annual Conference, and one of the first churches of Nashville. The intellectual, moral and religious powers should not lie dormant but should be roused with the thought that we are weighed by what we do and not by what we say. There are three great charters of the world—The Magna, The Declaration, The Emancipation. All three of these were necessities of invention that men of nations and races might be put on a level to show that all men were born equal. That among these there were rights of individual sovereignty that must be respected and regarded as an enfranchisement, that must not be trampled upon. This was in the light of the intellectual, the moral and civil premises produced from these three great charters. The leader of the Magna Charter was King John, the leader of the Charter of the Declaration was Jefferson, the leader of the Charter of Emancipation was Lincoln. These charters only refer to the civil, political and moral aspects of the world.

There is another charter of which I desire to speak to-night, and it is not a charter of reproduction but of originality, springing forth from the source of the great Sovereign of the Universe; the Charter of redemption, which makes all men equal by the appreciation of the blood of Jesus. Each of the first three spoken of will become obsolete, but the last one is eternal, and will last through all ages. Such a charter is the basis upon which Clark Memorial is founded; Christ Jesus being the Chief Corner-stone."

The basement of the church was